

Ohio Administrative Code Rule 102-9-09 Hearing examiners.

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- (A) The commission may establish the qualifications of, appoint, and fix the compensation of, hearing examiners pursuant to section 102.05 of the Revised Code. The commission may authorize the executive director to designate the hearing examiners.
- (B) The respondent will be given the opportunity to object to the appointment of a hearing examiner, for good cause shown.
- (C) Hearing examiners will have the same power and authority to conduct hearings as the commission.
- (D) Within thirty days after the hearing, the hearing examiner must submit to the commission a written report, which must include, but need not be limited to:
- (1) Findings of fact;
- (2) Conclusions of law; and
- (3) Recommendations of action to be taken by the commission.
- (E) A copy of the report must be sent to the respondent, who will have twenty days from the date the report is mailed to file written objections to the findings of fact and conclusions of law in the report. The commission will review, approve, modify, or disapprove the recommendations of the hearing officer. No recommendation will become the findings of the commission until ordered by the commission. Findings of the commission have the same effect as if the hearing had been conducted by the commission.
- (F) Nothing contained in this rule precludes the commission from appointing a member of the commission to serve as a hearing examiner.

